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## DENNIS SAMPSON RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR POETRY

Dennis Sampson, poet and outreach specialist in the Education Talent Search Program for Shelton State Community College, was recently named the first recipient of the 1991 Alabama Poetry Award which was presented to him by Ralph Hammond, Poet Laureate of Alabama. This national award was established by Hammond as a means of recognizing a book of new poetry that makes a distinguished contribution to the literature of America.

Sampson, who received the award for his second book of poetry, FORGIVENESS, that was published in 1990, received the award as part of a recent reception in his honor that was hosted by Shelton State Community College.

Several nationally recognized poets attended the reception for Sampson, including Mark Jarman, associate professor of English at Vanderbilt University and a recipient of the Guggenhein Award for 1991, and Phillip Levine, nationally recognized poet and visiting professor of creative writing for New York University. Levine recently received the National Book Award for Poetry for 1990-91.

In addition to FORGIVENESS, Sampson is also the author of THE DOUBLE GENESIS, his first book of poetry. This past summer, he was awarded a fellowship to the prestigious Bread Loaf Writers' conference at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont. Based on their works, these fellowships are given each summer to seven published poets throughout the country. While at Bread Loaf, Sampson worked with younger writers, as well as with acknowledged masters of their craft.

A gifted writer, Sampson had already received numerous awards for his work, including a fellowship from the Alabama Arts Council and a Denise and Mel Cohen Award from PLOUGHSHARES for his poem "The Commandment."

## SHELTON STATE SPANISH CLUB PUBLISHES COOKBOOK

A new cookbook featuring favorite recipes from Shelton State Community College has recently been published by the college's Spanish Club.

TREASURED RECIPES is now on sale in time for Christmas gifts, according to Marilyn Terry, Spanish Club sponsor. Proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will go to the Mabel Harries Endowed Spanish Scholarship Fund that is established through the Shelton State Foundation. Once this scholarship is fully endowed, the interest from the scholarship will be awarded annually to a Shelton State student, allowing that person to study Spanish for a month a Guadalajara University, Guadalajara Mexico.

Printing of the cookbook was supported by over forty local merchants. Recipes were collected from members of the Spanish club, the college's faculty and staff as well as friends of the college.

The colorful, spiral-bound book is being offered to the West Alabama community through the Christmas season for $8.00 each. Copies of TREASURED RECIPES may be purchased from any Spanish Club member and are currently available at the college by contacting Mrs. Marilyn Terry or Lucy Kubiszyn

## SHELTON INSTRUCTOR NAMED OUTSTANDING TECHNICAL FACULTY MEMBER FOR ALABAMA'S TWO YEAR COLLEGES

When Shelton State instructor Kim Inman was named the 1990-91 Outstanding Technical Instructor for Alabama's two year colleges, no one was more surprised than the college's vivacious, young teacher.

Inman currently serves as division chair for health related occupations at the college, which includes the departments of licensed practical nursing, nursing assistant, emergency medical technician, and cosmetology. As part of the LPN nursing faculty, her responsibilities include both classroom and clinical work. According to Inman, the nursing instructors each have their own specialty and hers is pharmacology and vocational relations, which includes teaching communication strategies and test taking skills as well as the history of nursing. She also helps the students understand the mental mechanism of working with patients.

In 1990 she was instrumental in establishing the college's nursing assistant program. "We've just completed our first year of this program, and our graduates are working with the VA nursing home and the Alice M. Kidd Intermediate Care Facility at Bryce Hospital," Inman said.

A member of the college's faculty since 1979, Inman's honor came as part of the Chancellor Awards that were announced recently at the Alabama College Association conference in Birmingham. Her selection, which was based on statewide competition, was the first time a Shelton State employee had received one of the honors. The awards included the selection of the outstanding students, alumni, administrator, support staff person as well as academic and technical faculty in the two year college system.

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## SHELTON STATE REACTIVATES AFRO AMERICAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

New officers have been elected for Shelton State Community College's reactivated chapter of the Afro American Cultural Association. This is the first time since 1988 that the chapter has been active on the college's campus. Faculty sponsor is Gil Keebler.

Officers are: Rosianna Ryans, president; Donna Murphy, first vice president; Iris Morse, second vice president; Anjanette D. Abrams, recording secretary; Katina Harper, assistant recording secretary; Paulette Hodges, financial secretary/treasurer and business manager; Sonja B. Johnson, assistant business manager; Anthony George, sergeant-at-arms.

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## SHELTON STATE TO PRESENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Shelton Singers and the Shelton Brass Ensemble will present a Christmas concert on Monday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Skyland Campus.

The 40-voice choir, under the direction of Glinda Blackshear, will sing "Glorias" by Vivaldi, Saint Saens, Handel and Sluth. Other sacred selections include "Noel Nouvelet," "Mary Had a Baby," and "Ah, Dearest Jesu." Secular selections are "Now is the Carolling Season," "Merry Christmas Past" and the Simeone arrangement of 'Jingle Bells." Becki Stallsmith will accompany the choir.

The Brass Ensemble, under the direction of Stewart Hampton, will perform "Ceremonial for Christmas Brass," "Three Christmas Carols" by Halst, "God Rest Ye Merry" arranged by Dr. Alan Blackshear of the Shelton music department, and "Santa claus is coming to town."

Admission to the concert is free and open to the public. Syble Coats is director of Shelton State's department of music.